

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend claims 1 and 9, as shown below.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the Application:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A portable electronic device comprising a display on a front face of the device on which selectable functions may be displayed, highlighted, and selected by ~~[[a]] an user, a selection button by which an user may confirm selection of a highlighted function, a selection bar on the display by which an user also may select a highlighted function bar to indicate which function is presently highlighted and available for selection,~~ and a touch pad provided on a rear face of the device for a user to select the functions, said device further comprising a separate keypad hingedly coupled to the front face of the device.

Claim 2 (original): A portable electronic device according to claim 1 in which the touch pad is positioned substantially directly behind the display.

Claim 3 (previously presented): A portable electronic device according to claim 1 in which a cursor is presented on the display and is controlled by the user using the touch pad.

Claim 4 (previously presented): A portable electronic device according to claim 1 in which the function which is available for selection is highlighted.

Claim 5 (previously presented): A portable electronic device according to claim 1 in which the touch pad has the same dimensions as the display.

Claims 6 - 7 (canceled)

Claim 8 (previously presented): A portable electronic device according to claim 1 and further including software controlled circuitry which translates a point of contact on the touch pad to a corresponding portion on the display.

Claim 9 (currently amended): A portable electronic device according to claim 1 in which the selection button also allows a user to execute 'click' and 'drag-lock' operations, and said device is a hand-held device.

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